

Notes of Energy Fair Planning Meeting  
August 25, 2008  
Rich Phillips

Attending: Rich Aiken, John Morris, Anne Miller, Lawrence Black, Saul Gresser,  
Michael Socks, Bob Atchinson, Ed Hutchinson, Debra Stoleroff,  
Convene: 6:10 PM  
Adjourn: 8:10 PM

Business:

We reviewed the sessions adjusted the program to fit the results of the preparations by the various session committees

Peal Oil: Carl Etnier is now available and will present the session AM and PM

Weatherization: Paul Zabriskie has not yet assigned staff for the advanced session(s) nor indicated whether he can handle two Advanced sessions. Paul Markowitz has only committed to one Basic (Button-up) session. We will drop back to one advanced and one basic, if necessary. Randy Bright from EV will split the duties in the Advanced session with Paul's staff. Paul's staff will lead. We have adjusted the session schedule so that the Conservation Session, which Randy will lead, will be first in the AM and PM so that Randy can join the Advanced Weatherization session in progress.

Solar Hot Water Transportation This session is set with Michael Horowitz presenting This session has been split into two. The Shared Transportation session will include the original emphasis on ride-share; vanpools and buses while the other Alternative Transportation session will be focused on electric/hybrid/bio vehicles. Bob is taking responsibility for the Alternative Transportation session and making the necessary contacts. He will lead that session. The Shared Transportation session has confirmed Ross MacDonald, and a Green Mountain Transit speaker, at least. Rich indicated that Gary Gulka had contacted Gina Campoli to attend as well from AOT and Bob will follow up on this. Ross expects that he will staff a vanpool sign-up table.

Pellets Rich reported problems in finding a stove representative to explain and demonstrate a pellet stove that was actually available. The Aubuchon event in Barre two weeks ago featured stoves actually available but they are not willing to put on another show at the Energy Fair. Efforts to get an independent party to address supply and demand issues were unsuccessful. BERC and FRP could not supply a presenter on these matters.

	<p>We decided to try to get the Harmon distributor in Randolph to present and provide the stove demonstration trailer. Harmon does not have stoves available but the technology can be explained. We will also try to get Jock Gill to talk about wood pellets and maybe a little about grass pellets. Andy will make these contacts. Rich will continue trying to contact Rick Barstow on his potential grass pellet equipment demonstration.</p>
Assistance	<p>This session has been broken into two sessions. The Help with Energy Costs session will include the original focus being financial and other assistance available to qualifying residents. Although not all fully confirmed as to individuals who will present, we have GM United Way, CVCAC, LIHEAP, DPS (Food and Fuel). The second session will be on available financial support for alternative energy projects. Efficiency Vermont and Renewable Energy Vermont will present but others are questionable and we will need to review the value of this session at our next meeting.</p>
Conservation	<p>This session will be presented by Randy Bright of Efficiency Vermont who will prepare an outline for review by the Committee.</p>
Venders/Orgs Food	<p>See the Master List of Presenters/Venders/Organizations</p> <p>Dennis Florio wants to sell his normal hot dogs/burgers throughout the day and indicates he can handle the morning coffee and donuts. The group was not sure Dennis could handle the volume of people we may have for the morning coffee and expressed some hesitation on only having donuts available. The women's group handling the noon meal could also provide the morning refreshments. The price has not been set for the noon meal and needs to be set in conjunction with the women's group. Anne and Lawrence were established as a committee to deal with the food including deciding the morning refreshments issue and suggesting a price for negotiation with the women's group. Rich will be the liaison with that group. Anne and Lawrence will be responsible for gathering the local vegetables and potentially local meat when the woman's group establishes the quantities after their 9/2/08 meeting. We decided we would pay for the local foods if we can</p>
Expenses:	<p>We have around \$200 of expense for the janitor. We may get about \$200 from donations Dan Chodorkoff is collecting. We may get around \$200 from tables at \$15/ for people selling products or energy reduction services. We do not have much money to purchase food. We'll need to have these costs covered by the meal price the women's group will charge. We will have a substantial cost for final program printing. We won't know how many we need and we want a good-looking program. Whatever we get from tables will be fully used and then some for the printing unless we somehow get that donated or get additional funds donated generally.</p>

Room Assignments Debra and Rich will work out the room assignments. Rich has concern for the ability if the cafeteria to house all the vendors and organizations and still allow the meal to be served. Hopefully the Gym can be available for the vendors and organizations.

Promotion Rich will draft a press release by 8/26/08 and send around for comment by the end of the day on Friday 8/29/08 so that Rich can revise it Early Saturday morning and send it out to all press outlets - papers/radio/TV. Debra will send her list of press contacts to Rich. Debra will update the flyer she made for the Field Notes and e-mail it for comment, then revise and resend for people to print and post in the towns. Debra, John, Rich and Erik will start work on the program for the day of the Fair which should probably be finished at least a couple of days ahead so it's not subject to much change.

Next Meeting September 8, 2008 at 6:00PM

#### Tentative Adjusted Schedule

8:30	Introduction					
9-10	Basic Weath	Adv Weath	Cons	Engy Cost Help	Shrd Trans	
10-11		Adv Weath		Vendors		
11-12	Basic Weath	Adv Weath	Pells	Solar Hot Water	Peak Oil	Lns/Rebs
12-1	LUNCH/VENDERS/CARBON FOOTPRINT					
1-2	Basic Weath	Adv Weath	Cons	Engy Cost Help	Shrd Trans	Lns/Rebs
2-3	Basic Weath	Adv Weath	Pells	Solar Hot Water	Peak Oil	Alt Trans
2-3		Adv Weath		VENDERS		

We agreed that the second Basic and the second Advanced Weatherization may drop and the second Help with Energy Costs and the second Shared Transportation may drop.